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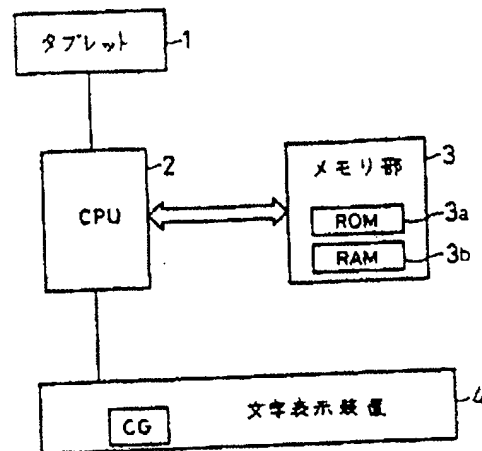
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RECOGNITION DEVICE



**ABSTRACT :** PURPOSE: To display hand-written characters different in size by a character in fixed shape by automatically recognizing a freely inputted hand-written character and its character size stepwise without inputting the specification of a specific size.

**CONSTITUTION:** When a hand-written character string is inputted from an input means 1, coordinate string data corresponding to said character string is produced. Based on the coordinate string data, a font size information generation means identifies the character font size of the hand-written character and a character font, and generates at least information about more than three types of character sizes. The generated character size information is held in a storage means 3, and based on the character size information stored in the storage means, fixed-form fonts of the hand-written characters that the font size information generation means identifies are displayed in different sizes on a character display means 4. Thus a hand-written character can be efficiently inputted without specifying a character size. That specification is troublesome.

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